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SUBJECT: MOSCOW CUTS PRINT-RUN OF STATISTICAL ANNUAL BY ONE-THIRD

REF: MOSCOW 19646

1. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE FROM REFTTEL, EMBASSY THUS HAS BEEN ABLE
TO PURCHASE ONLY FIVE COPIES OF THE SOVIET UNION'S LATEST BASIC
STATISTICAL ANNUAL, NARODNOE KHOZAYSTVO SSSR, FOR 1975. EXAMINA-
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TION OF OUR COPY SHOWS THAT THE PRINT RUN WAS 30,000, WHICH
REPRESENTS A ONE-THIRD REDUCTION FROM THE 45,000 THAT WERE
PRINTED FOR THE VOLUMES IN 1974 AND 1973. THE PRINT RUN FOR
THE 1972 VOLUME WAS 40,000.

2. AS THIS TITLE IS THE ONLY PRESENTATION OF BASIC STATIS-

TICAL DATA ABOUT THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS ECONOMY AND
SOCIETY, WHICH COULD IN ANY SENSE BE DESCRIBED AS
"COMPREHENSIVE", IT HARDLY SEEMS COMPATIBLE WITH MOSCOW'S
CSCE UNDERTAKINGS TO REDUCE ITS AVAILABILITY. E/C
COUNSELOR MENTIONED THIS DECEMBER 20 TO MFA OFFICER, WHO
HAD NOT HEARD OF IT AND ADVANCED NO EXPLANATION. WE PLAN
TO CONTINUE TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS AND WILL SUGGEST
THAT OUR DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES DO LIKEWISE.
MATLOCK

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